GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3135
ANSWERED ON:21.03.2017
Priority Households under AAY
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the guidelines prepared by the State Governments to identify the priority households covered under Antyodaya Anna Yojana;
(b) the percentage of the rural population receiving entitlements under the National Food Security Act, 2013 and the details thereof;
(c) the number of anganwadi workers working under the scheme, State wise and the details thereof;
(d) the criteria adopted for selection of anganwadi workers and the training module if any and the details thereof; and
(e) the total budget allocated to various schemes under the Scheme for the current financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)
(a)&(b): National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) provides for giving subsidized food grains to upto 75% of the rural population and upto 50 % of the urban population of the country. Coverage for receiving highly subsidized foodgrains under the Act is under two categories − households covered under Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and priority households. Within the coverage determined for each State/UT, State Governments are required to identify AAY households in accordance with the guidelines applicable to the scheme and the remaining households as priority households in accordance with such guidelines as the State Government may specify. The guidelines stipulated by the Government of India for identification of AAY households inter alia includes households headed by widows or terminally ill/disabled persons/ HIV positive persons/ persons aged 60 years or more with no assured means of subsistence or societal support.
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(c): A statement is annexed.
(d)&(e): As per the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) guidelines, Anganwadi Worker should be from the local village and are selected by a Selection Committee constituted by the State Governments/UT Administrations consisting of the District Social Welfare Officer, the BDO, the CDPO, the Medical Officer of the primary health centre, the President of the Taluka Panchayat/Block Advisory Committee, the district representative of the State Social Welfare Advisory Board and any other non-officials which the State Government may consider appropriate. Recently approved Strengthened and restructured ICDS prescribe for qualification of Matriculation and age limit of 18-35 years for engagement as Anganwadi Worker and Anganwadi Helper. A revised budgetary provision of Rs 14,560 cr. has been kept for ICDS for 2016-17.
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ANNEXURE
ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 3135 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21ST MARCH, 2017 IN LOK SABHA.
State-wise number of Anganwadi workers sanctioned and in-position under ICDS Scheme as on 31.12.2016

S.No.	State	No. of Anganwadi Workers Sanctioned by GOI	In-position as on 31.12.2016
1	Andhra Pradesh	55607	53823
2	Telangana	35700	33159
3	Arunachal Pradesh	6225	6028
4	Assam	62153	62153
5	Bihar	115009	

85980
6
Chhattisgarh
52474
48770
7
Goa
1262
1241
8
Gujarat
53029
50403
9
Haryana
25962
25348
10
Himachal Pradesh
18925
18772
11
Jammu & Kashmir
31938
28707
12
Jharkhand
38432
35424
13
Karnataka
65911
63186
14
Kerala
33318
33102
15
Madhya Pradesh
97135
94413
16
Maharashtra
110486
106784
17
Manipur
11510
10274
18
Meghalaya
5896
5891
19
Mizoram
2244
2244
20
Nagaland
3980
3455
21
Odisha
74154
68980
22
Punjab
27314
26390
23
Rajasthan

62010
58581
24
Sikkim
1308
1289
25
Tamil Nadu
54439
38827
26
Tripura
10145
9911
27
Uttar Pradesh
190145
172367
28
Uttrakhand
20067
18995
29
West Bengal
119481
107872
30
A & N Islands
720
720
31
Chandigarh
500
450
32
Delhi
11150
10806
33
Dadra & N Haveli
302
302
34
Daman & Diu
107
102
35
Lakshadweep
107
107
36
Puducherry
855
855
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